

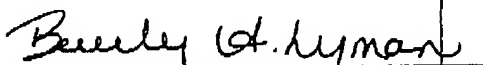
**REMARKS**

Claims 1, 2, 47, and 48 are amended to clarify the single-phase reagent and the specific method. Claims 17-25 are canceled without prejudice.

Applicant does not believe there is any fee due with this submission. However, if any fees are required, the Examiner is authorized to charge the fees to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.

The Examiner is invited to telephone applicant's undersigned representative with any questions or issues.

Respectfully submitted,  
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